(SHBI SUKH RAM): (a) The number of Changed Number Announcing (CNA) machines ordered by the Department of Telecommunications so far is 183 not.
The capital outlay involved therein is around Rs. 5.0 crores plus taxes.

(b) Four companies were short-listed out of the thirteen companies who submitted tenders viz. M/s Telenet Systems, Mls Sahastratronic Controls Mls Integrated Electronic Co. and Ms Natelco. A total of 183 nos. (134 nos. of 256 Port and 49 Nos. of 512 port NCSa) werel ordered on these companies.

(c) All the major cities in the States of Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Rajasthan, North East, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Bihar.

Shifting of Telephones in Delhi

2019. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that transfer of telephones from one exchange to other has been started in Delhi;

(b) whether Government are aware that a large number of transfer applications are pending in the Capital;

(c) if so, what is the total number of applications. Exchange-wise.

(d) whether a time-limit has been prescribed for granting a transfer and implementing the same;

(e) if so, what is the number of applications that are pending for mora than one month;

(f) what are the reasons for keeping these applications unattended for so long;

(g) whether Government are also aware that Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limi ted (MTNL) Officials are using the delay tactics to coerce the subscribers for unto ward ends; and

(h) if so, what steps Government are taking to streamline the procedure and facilitating telephone transfers within a stipulated period, without harassing the subscribers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) to (h) Sir. The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Defective Postal Stationary

2020. KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA; Will the Mmister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention has been drawn to the news item captioned "Defective en velopes put authorities in a fix" appeared in the Statesman dated the 1th January, 1994;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that defective envelopes are being supplied by the post offices in the country;

(c) whether the stationery is being checked before supplying to various post offices; and

(d) if not, who are officials respoinsible for the defective stationery?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Envelopes sold through post office are printed and supplied by the India Security Press, Nashik Road, and Security Printing Press, Hyderabad, which have qualify control divisions for monitoring their printed products. Checks ara also prescribed for such stationery at thel Circle Stamp Depots and respective post offices on receipt from the security printing press. Considering the large quantity of envelopes produced and sold, the percentage of defective envelopes coming into public use has not beSa very significant.